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SUBJECT: EXPECTED RESIGNATION OF CIDA PRESIDENT GERIN-LAJOIE

- 1. IN CONVERSATIONS THAT AID ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR HERTER HAD TODAY (SEPTEMBER 14) WITH CIDA VICE PRESIDENTS PERINBAM AND LALANDE, WE LEARNED THAT CIDA PRESIDENT PAUL GERIN-LAJOIE IS PLANNING TO RESIGN HIS POST WITHIN NEXT FEW WEEKS. THIS CONFIRMED RUMORS THAT HAVE BEEN SURFACING IN OTTAWA DURING THE SUMMER. CIDA OFFICIALS SPECULATE HE IS LEAVING GOVERNMENT FOR FINANCIAL REASONS AND IS SEEKING POSITION IN BUSINESS COMMUNITY. APPARENTLY GERINLAJOIE'S DECISION WAS REACHED PRIOR TO EXPECTED CABINET RESHUFFLE (CIDA PRESIDENT DOES NOT HAVE CABINET RANK, BUT REPORTS THROUGH SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS).
- 2. EMBASSY HAS HEARD FROM SEVERAL SOURCES, INCLUDING ONE HIGH-RANKING EXTAFF OFFICIAL, THAT GERINLAJOIE'S SUCCESSOR IS LIKELY TO BE EXTAFF ASSISTANT UNDER SECRETARY MICHEL DUPUY WHO, AMONG OTHER THINGS, IS CURRENTLY BACKSTOPPING EXTAFF MINISTER MACEACHEN IN HIS CAPACITY AS CIEC CO-CHAIRMAN. ENDERS

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